

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-10 (Canceled).

Claim 11 (New): A composition for nasal absorption comprising  
a carrier,

wherein the carrier is calcium carbonate, calcium phosphate, or a combination  
thereof,

wherein the carrier has an average particle size of 20 to 100  $\mu\text{m}$ ,  
and

an effective dose of an opioid analgesic,

wherein the effective dose of the opioid analgesic is uniformly distributed and  
attached to the carrier, and

wherein the opioid analgesic is at least one analgesic selected from the group  
consisting of morphine hydrochloride, morphine sulfate, morphine  
hydrochloride/atropine sulfate preparation, fentanyl, fentanyl citrate,  
droperidol/fentanyl citrate preparation, and buprenorphine hydrochloride.

Claim 12 (New): The composition of claim 11, wherein the carrier is calcium  
carbonate.

Claim 13 (New): The composition of claim 11, wherein the carrier is calcium  
phosphate.

Claim 14 (New): The composition of claim 11, wherein the carrier is a combination of calcium carbonate and calcium phosphate.

Claim 15 (New): The composition of claim 11,  
wherein the content of the opioid analgesic is from 0.01 to 50% by weight, and  
wherein the content of the carrier is from 50 to 99.99% by weight.

Claim 16 (New): A method of treating pain in a patient in need thereof, comprising intranasally administering the composition of claim 11 to the patient in need thereof, in an amount sufficient to treat the pain.

Claim 17 (New): The method of claim 16, wherein the pain is post-surgery pain.

Claim 18 (New): The method of claim 17, wherein the pain is cancer pain.

Claim 19 (New): The method of claim 18, wherein the cancer of the cancer pain is terminal cancer.

Claim 20 (New): The method of claim 18, wherein the cancer of the cancer pain is cancer of the digestive system.

Claim 21 (New): A method of preparing a composition for nasal absorption comprising

preparing an aqueous solution comprising an effective dose of an opioid analgesic and a binder,

freeze drying the aqueous solution to create a powder, and

kneading the powder with a carrier to obtain the composition for nasal absorption,

wherein the carrier has an average particle size of from 20 to 100  $\mu\text{m}$ .

wherein the effective dose of the opioid analgesic is uniformly distributed and attached to the carrier, and

wherein the carrier is selected from the group consisting of calcium carbonate, calcium phosphate, and combinations thereof.

Claim 22 (New): The method of claim 21, wherein the opioid analgesic is at least one analgesic selected from the group consisting of morphine hydrochloride, morphine sulfate, morphine hydrochloride/atropine sulfate preparation, fentanyl, fentanyl citrate, droperidol/fentanyl citrate preparation, buprenorphine hydrochloride, and combinations thereof.